

## "CROSS RITE" DAY FOR WASHINGTON

Maj. Pullman Consents to Plan to Train Public How to Cross Streets.

### BOY SCOUTS WILL AID

Youngsters Will Assist Traffic Police—Day During Holiday Season—To Be Selected.

Maj. Raymond W. Pullman, superintendent of police, yesterday gave his consent for a "cross rite" day to be put on by the Boy Scouts of Washington working in conjunction with the traffic police. Details have not been completed, but it is to be an educational effort in training both the Scouts and the walking public when to cross and when not to cross crowded streets. The date will be some time during the present holiday season.

"Walk rite" days have been tried in other parts of the country and have had a potent effect in cutting down the number of traffic accidents. It is usually arranged that three scouts take their stand at each corner and upon signal from the policeman in the center of the intersection they hold their scout staff across the walk, barring traffic from that direction until the whistle again sounds. Then they wheel and stop pedestrians from passing across the other street.

Maj. Pullman has given his support to the Scout movement consistently since he took office. Anything that develops a better feeling between the boys and the policeman, he says, is worth trying, and doubly so if some of the street accidents can be thus avoided. As a special reward for the small men in uniform he is planning at the end of their day a patrol wagon ride.

Scout Executive J. W. Patton gave the first of a series of illustrated lectures on "The Boy Scout Movement, What It Has Done in This and Other Cities and 'Other Lands'" last night at the Gunston-Temple Memorial Presbyterian Church, R and Fourteenth streets northwest. The lecture inaugurated a campaign on the part of the Scout organizers to find fifty men who will become scout masters and are suited to the task. The city of Washington already has fifty-five men in business and professions who are giving much of their leisure time to their troops, which are composed on an average of twenty-five boys.

Rev. C. E. Granter gave over his entire evening service to the lecture, and at its conclusion arrangements were made for a meeting of the boys next Monday. Etheridge Grant, a scout of the first class, who lives at 300 Sixteenth street northwest, operated the stereopticon, assisted by Vivian O'Dwyer, of 145 Fifteenth street northwest.

The slides are a collection representing Mr. Patton's work for years, and show scenes of every camp or big hike which he has attended. He exhibited pictures of the Boy Scouts taken this year in France, showing the boys at work directing a fodder wagon train and carrying messages. But he denied that the organization is military or that the Boy Scouts in Europe are doing military duty.

## SCENE SHOWN IN "THE BATTLES OF A NATION"



"The Battles of a Nation" opened its run of one solid week yesterday afternoon at the Casino Theater. It will be presented each day from 1 p. m. to 11 p. m. This film is a distinct innovation for Washington, in fact for the entire field of American pictures, since it recounts in a graphic fashion the experiences of Albert K. Dawson, who went to the battlefields of Europe for the American Correspondent Film Company, Inc. It is not a mere showing of views of the armies, generals and ports of Europe, but a comprehensive story told on the screen with startling rapidity of events.

The Dramatic Mirror says: "This feature film is one of the most remarkable sets of pictures ever exhibited in this

country. It fairly bristles with action throughout the entire six reels, there being no scenes which by a stretch of the imagination could be called slow or uninteresting. It brings the spectator face to face with war as it really is, such as no written account has ever done, and is a comprehensive pictorialization of every phase of the gigantic struggle in the east."

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of the great European struggle. The keynote of the entire production is action. Events of thrilling interest follow upon one another in bewildering succession. The Exhibitors Herald says: "The Battles of a Nation" gives evidence of being one of the marked sensations of the current season. With the extraordinary interest in war films throughout the country, and the unusual nature of this film, it is confidently expected that the announcement of the picture will be received with great interest by exhibitors generally."

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knickknacks, gathered from the four

corners of the earth in anticipation of a

necessity for coaxing dollars out of

tightly closed pocketbooks, have been

passed scornfully by the throng sweeping

down upon the sales persons until the

demonstration has been complete that, no

matter what may be the condition in

other parts of the world, Washington

has money and plenty of it, and is willing

to spend generously of what she has.

More than ever before it has been made

apparent in this year's Christmas shopping

that the purchasing public has

learned well the lessons of early buying

when undiminished stocks offer an im-

comparable variety for selection. Ap-

parently, too, the buyers, happy in their

own bounteous possessions, have shown

a marked desire to aid the overworked

clerks in their fatiguing tasks, with the

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